

Actions-Assurances for 1998-99 Under Existing Authorities

Action	Primary CALFED Agencies	Time frame	Staffing & Proposed Lead*	Comments/Questions
1. Develop and implement the annual CVP/SWP Operations Plan	DWR, USBR, USFWS, DFG, NMFS, SWRCB	Complete by 12/98	Lowell Ploss* Bob Potter	Incorporates AFRP Delta Actions risk assessment, and San Joaquin river pulse flow and water acquisition
2. Expand south of Delta groundwater storage	USBR, USFWS	Initiate env. doc. and tech. studies in 1998/99	Brent Walthall*	Possible projects include — Madera Ranch, Stockton East. Funds: Federal and State bonds
3. Facilitate additional short term water transfers	SWRCB, USBR, DWR	Establish bank by Feb 1999 if dry year	Jerry Johns* John Davis Bob Potter	Possible transfers include- Kern County WA, Semitropic WA, Yuba County WA. USBR and DWR have committed to work closely in approving transfers
4. Improve coordination of Category 3, Bay-Delta Act, CVPIA and other funds for ecosystem restoration projects	CALFED and CALFED Agencies	Ongoing	Rebecca Fauver*, Liz Howard, Carolyn Yale, Alf Brandt, Jim McKeivitt	Restoration Coordination Program

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5. Initiate and/ or complete environmental documentation and feasibility analysis	CALFED, DWR, USBR, USFWS, DFG, NMFS, Corps, USDA	Time frame varies depending on proposed action	Stein Buer* — initial task will be to catalog envir. docs and feasibility analyses on selected actions being conducted by CALFED agencies	Includes actions such as : joint point of diversion, Interim South Delta program, Madera Ranch, ecosystem restoration projects, delta levees, and surface storage.
6. Target and increase funding for water conservation, reclamation, water quality, and floodplain and watershed management programs	State funds -- CALFED, DWR, SWRCB, Fed funds — CALFED, DOI, USBR, EPA, Corps, USDA, USFWS	State funds -- BCP and 1998 Bond Fed funds — Bay Delta Act, FY 2000 Budget	Patrick Wright* Roger Pollock Crawford Tuttle*	Initial task— create a matrix identifying the additional /redirected funding for 1999 and the funding sources — also start work on a broader state/federal crosscut budget
7. Seek continued funding for Delta levees program	DWR, Corps	State funds : 1998 November Bond proposed Federal funds--	Bob Potter* Walter Yep	State funding : 1998 Bond
8. Issue final State Board water rights decision to allocate responsibility for meeting the 1995 WQCP	SWRCB	Fall 1999	Jerry Johns*	

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9. Extend the Bay-Delta Accord to provide operational and environmental stability though 12/99, at which time CALFED anticipates the ROD will be issued	CALFED, EPA, others	Dec. 98	Tom Hagler*, Alf Brandt, Mary Schoonover	1 year simple extension until December 1999 at which time CALFED anticipates the ROD will be issued. Continue efforts in 1999 to reduce impacts to water supply reliability.
10. South Delta Improvements — resolve permitting issues and as appropriate initiate actions	DWR, USBR, DFG, USFWS, NMFS, Corps, EPA	Components contained within ISDP could begin construction in 2001	Bob Potter* Lowell Ploss	ESA is on critical path for ISDP
11. Incorporate ongoing and planned monitoring and studies into the CALFED Comprehensive Monitoring Assessment and Research Program	CALFED agencies		Leo Winternitz* Larry Smith*	

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